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Thunderstorm raises roof on post

Damage estimates
approach \$100K

By SKIP VAUGHN

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What probably wasn't a tornado left its mark on Redstone Arsenal last week.

Strong winds caused more than \$50,000 in damage to the south end of Redstone Arsenal on Nov. 18. There was roof damage to two adjacent buildings off Buxton Road: a Directorate of Logistics supply facility at building 8022 and a vacant warehouse at building 8021.

"Damage estimates are between fifty and one hundred thousand dollars. We're assessing that right now," Bill Porr, director of public works, said Nov. 19.

There were some power outages and some lines down on the south end of the Arsenal, south of Redstone Road and also along Buxton Road. "But they were sporadic and no major damage," Porr said. "Power was restored on the affected facilities in those areas within a few hours. A few trees were downed.

"We don't suspect it was a tornado, by the way," he said. "We suspect it was straight line winds. Or it could've been a tornado that had not touched down, just traveling in the air or whatever. Because if it had touched down, it would've torn up a lot more."



Photo by Chugach Support Services Inc.

HEAVY METAL— The metal roof was blown off a portion of building 8021 as the result of a thunderstorm Nov. 18.

"Right now all indications are it was straight line winds," Billy Longgear, leader of the meteorological team at Redstone Technical Test Center, said. "If it was a tornado, it was an extremely weak tornado and it would be almost impossible to pick out on the radar."

Here's some severe weather advice from an emergency management web site:

- Highway overpasses are not a safe place to seek shelter during a tornado. In

fact, overpasses are among the most dangerous places to seek shelter during severe high winds or a tornado. An overpass creates a funnel, which can boost wind speed an additional 25 percent. In addition, the design of most overpasses offers a person no shelter from flying debris and nothing for a trapped person to hand on to. More information on this topic may be found on

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Regional structure takes center stage

Installation management
makes strides Armywide

By AL SCHWARTZ

Chief of public affairs



File photo

Maj. Gen. ANDERS AADLAND

Maj. Gen. Anders Aadland became director of the Installation Management Agency in August 2002. He serves as principal adviser on installation management to the assistant chief of staff for installation management, and spokesman for all Army base operations issues.

Aadland leads the agency that manages all of the Army's installations worldwide. He directs the management of 181 Army installations, 75,000 military and civilian personnel, and a budget exceeding \$8 billion.

The Minneapolis, Minn., native provided the following answers to questions from the *Redstone Rocket*.

Transformation of Installation Management has been under way for more than a

year. How is it progressing? What have been the major obstacles that you have had to deal with? What successes have you had?

"The Installation Management Agency continues to make significant progress in establishing itself as a key and essential element for the Army's support of soldiers, families and civilians. This progress is due to the Army leadership's commitment to the success of IMA's mission, and the hard work and dedication of the thousands of outstanding men and women who are the heart and soul of IMA.

"The first year has not been without its challenges. IMA is the Army's biggest cultural change in the last three decades, and there is always resistance to and skepticism about major change.

"We have taken what was in reality a completely decentralized system — so critical to the success of the Army mission — and centralized installation management.

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Letters to the editor

Heart-stopping development

Will Redstone Arsenal office buildings be equipped with defibrillators, cardiac devices?

The first major test of public-access defibrillators found that placing the devices in office buildings and shopping malls and training ordinary people to use them can double the chances of surviving cardiac arrest. Defibrillators have already become standard equipment, like fire extinguishers, in many airports, convention centers and health clubs. And while earlier studies suggest they are safe, there has been no clear proof until now they actually increase survival.

Each year, about 250,000 Americans die from cardiac arrest, which can result from heart attacks, underlying heart disease or accidents, among other causes. Paramedics can shock victims' hearts back to normal beat with defibrillators, but they rarely arrive in time. In fact, every minute spent waiting lowers the chance of survival by 10 percent.

Dr. Joseph Ornato of Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond presented results to the American Heart Association. "The bottom line is we believe defibrillators in public facilities will double survival, if there are trained teams to use them," he said in an article written by Daniel Haney, Associated Press medical editor. The EPA issued a statement last July/August that all federal government buildings are to be equipped with portable defibrillators.

The defibrillator and case is the size of a laptop. These devices deliver an electric shock to people whose hearts are beating erratically or stop, and can be

used to keep a heart attack victim alive until professional help arrives.

Shirley Carney

Editor's note: The AMCOM Safety Office provided the following response. "Thank you for your letter concerning Automated External Defibrillators on Redstone Arsenal. As pointed in the article, AEDs are a significant tool for increasing the chances of survival from sudden cardiac arrest. The purchase of the first AEDs on Redstone Arsenal in June 1999 was a cooperative effort of several organizations. They worked together to provide AEDs to the Redstone Fire Department. This was to ensure that an AED would be available to the first responders to an emergency call. Since that time, several organizations have purchased AEDs for placement in their buildings. This was done to reduce the response time and thereby increase the chance of survival from sudden cardiac arrest."

"The AMCOM Safety Office is currently in the process of developing an AMCOM AED policy. We have had discussions with several vendors to determine requirements to provide optimal coverage with AEDs. We are also determining the best way to accomplish the required training to ensure the AEDs are effectively used. Once this plan is complete, we will seek funds to purchase the AEDs."

"The AMCOM Safety Office sees AEDs as just one way to help provide a safe and healthful workplace for our employees. Developing a plan to make AEDs available is one of our goals for fiscal '04."

Tireless gentlemen on gates

Iam writing to say thank you in print to two very caring Patton Road gate guards. On Oct. 23, I ran into a pot hole just off the Arsenal gate and my right front tire blew out. I was able to get the vehicle onto the shoulder before coming to a stop.

As I exited the vehicle to call AAA, Sgt. William Bowen and Sgt. Michael Brewer came down the street to offer their assistance. Sgt. Bowen then stayed with me until the AAA tow truck arrived

to change my tire. Meanwhile, Sgt. Bowen had gotten the spare and tire jack ready to operate. He then waited until my husband arrived on the scene.

Without their company, the wait for the AAA assistance vehicle and would have been uncomfortable. I want to commend both of the gentlemen as being just that: gentlemen!

Kate E. Bizer

Post support starts early

Iwould like to take the time to thank all the parents and youth who came out this beautiful Saturday morning (Nov. 15) to participate in the MWR Outdoor Recreation annual Youth Hunt.

The event couldn't have happened without the kind support of our fine volunteers, the expert advice and guidance of the Arsenal game warden Cecil Winn and biologist David Nixon. The youth were exposed to the beauty of nature and the importance of wildlife conservation. We at Outdoor Recreation would also

like to publicly thank Bill Bullen of Sparkman Cafeteria and Bob Howell of the Officers and Civilians Club for providing the great food for the noontime barbecue. Also kudos goes out to "Chef" James Pons for bringing the fine venison and manning the grill. It just goes to show that Redstone Morale, Welfare and Recreation is "for all your life."

Tom Pyburn
DPCA MWR business manager,
Outdoor Recreation

Servicemembers appreciated

Ijust read a commentary about the deaths of servicemembers, which appeared in the Nov. 19 edition, written by Richard M. Arndt. I just have to e-mail a response. It moved me to tears and I want to tell the *Redstone Rocket* how proud and grateful I am for all the servicemen and servicewomen of our military and their heartfelt efforts to protect this wonderful country of ours. They

may not always feel appreciated and honored enough but I can assure them that I honor and appreciate each and every one of our servicemembers (men and women) of all the services. They are doing a wonderful job and I couldn't be more proud!

Grace Elaine Burns
Acquisition Center

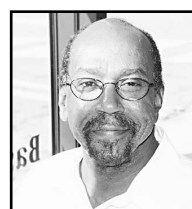
Quote of the week

'You cannot deal with the most serious things in the world unless you also understand the most amusing.'
— Winston Churchill

An open lane random survey

What are you thankful for?

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Earl Starling
retired veteran

"I'm thankful for my mother, I lost my dad. I'm also thankful for my health. I'm waiting on a kidney right now, but I'm glad to be alive."



Pat Graham
retired spouse

"I'm thankful for my health, this free country and my family."



Spec. Lisa Yancey
MEDDAC

"I'm thankful for my family, friends and just for being alive."



Joan Kephart
retired spouse

"I'm thankful for so many things — for the free country we live in, all the blessings that I do have, for my children, grandchildren and my health. We just have so much in this day and age to be thankful for."

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Getting to know you

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Name: Felisa Powell
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Where do you call home?
Castleberry, Ala.
What do you like about your job?
The soldiers. If I can give them a friendly smile and get one in return, then that makes my day. If you smile, then the whole world will smile back at you.
What do you like to do in your spare time?
I'm a disc jockey for parties and events. I also spend time with my kids.

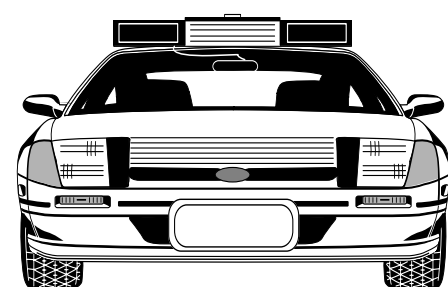


What are your goals?
To own my own nightclub.

Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

The Provost Marshal Office provided the following list of reported incidents:
Nov. 14: An individual reported that someone damaged her vehicle while it was parked and unattended in the parking lot at building 3453. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.
Nov. 14: A contractor reported that someone removed a Red Max BC25005 trimmer valued at \$400 from the storage bin inside building 5489. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.
Nov. 15: A soldier surrendered at the Provost Marshal Office as being in a deserter status from his unit at Fort Eustis, Va. He was detained until arrangements can be made to return him to his unit.
Nov. 17: A contractor was found to be utilizing his government issued computer to access sexually explicit adult web sites. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.
Nov. 18: Two soldiers were found to be utilizing a personal laptop computer in a government building to access, view and download sexually explicit adult materials. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.
Nov. 18: A soldier surrendered at the Provost Marshal Office as being in an

AWOL status from his unit at Fort Bliss, Texas. He was detained until arrangements can be made to return him to his unit.
Nov. 20: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license during a vehicle inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.
Violation notices issued: speeding, 42; operating a motor vehicle with a suspended/revoked driver's license, 1; expired driver's license, 1; no liability insurance, 2; trespassing, 1; operating a radar detector on a federal installation, 1; no registration, 1; expired registration, 5; failure to use seatbelts, 15; and failure to obey a traffic control device, 2.



Commissary campaign delivers for Special Olympics

Redstone store wins worldwide contest

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Redstone's commissary has won a worldwide Special Olympics display contest.
The Defense Commissary Agency's 2003 Worldwide Special Olympics Display Contest drew entries from every commissary; and Redstone and Fort Knox, Ky., were the two grand prize winners.
In recognition of their accomplishments, \$1,800 was contributed to the local Special Olympics chapters. DeCA gave a

total of \$85,000 to the Special Olympics Organization. The Commissary also contributed \$2,000 to the DeCA Military Scholarship fund.
The annual campaign is a joint effort between the commissaries and Procter & Gamble.
"We did good last year so we are ready to kick off into the new year," Katrina Coleman, retail merchandiser for Procter & Gamble, said.
The 2004 campaign begins Dec. 29; and Procter & Gamble coupons are to appear in *The Huntsville Times* on Dec. 28. The P&G items will be up to 30 percent off for commissary shoppers during the two-week campaign.
"For each purchase of a Procter & Gamble item, 25 cents goes to Special Olympics," Coleman said.



Photo by Skip Vaughn
CEREMONY IN STORE— From left are Special Olympian Lynette Wistoft, Katrina Coleman of Procter & Gamble, store director Willie Taylor, Madison County Special Olympic coordinator Mona Moorer and Special Olympian Baxter Moorer.

Builder putting finishing touches on office center

Space and Missile Defense Command to move into Von Braun Complex

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Those traveling Martin Road over the past two years have watched the Redstone skyline change with much interest. The idea of a new complex at the intersection of Martin Road and Lindner Road has gradually become a reality named the Wernher Von Braun Complex, the first phase of which is nearing completion.

It is a 200,000 square foot, five floor structure of offices, meeting rooms and conference areas. Like the nearby Sparkman Center, it also contains a snack bar and fitness center.

Scheduled for completion in early December, builder Turner Universal is putting the finishing touches on the interior. Decor in soft colors and rich woods conveys the dignity and tradition of the organization that is to occupy the first phase. The first building is a state-of-the-art construction to house the Space and Missile Defense Command. Views from the command suite overlook the natural beauty of Redstone and future sites of the two planned phases.

Offices at the new building have an open layout. This allows them to be reorganized and restructured easily. Even the floor is built to ease possible growing pains. The walking surface is not actually what one might consider the floor. There is a 6-inch space between the two to accommodate wiring, with access boxes scattered liberally throughout. This allows equipment to be moved or added without cluttering the floors, ceilings and walls with cables and cords.

"Groups change and reorganize and shift cubicles," Kevin Burleson, a Directorate of Public Works master planner, said. "The floor makes it very simple to do those kind of changes and run cable. The open floor plan keeps you from knocking down walls. It's easier to move."

The complex is also designed and built with force protection conditions in mind. Measures to ensure the security of the structure have been built in such a way as to be highly functional, but without taking away from the beauty of the design. Inside, security and access control stations are visible. Outside, landscaping and layout are appealing to the eye, but serve an additional purpose.

"There is a berm all the way around," Burleson said. "The main parking is 140 feet from the building. We've tried to do things that are more aesthetically pleasing, such as the berm with the landscaping. It looks a lot better than the concrete barricades."

While the first phase is to be completed by Dec. 6, the ribbon cutting ceremony will be held Jan. 13. The transitional plan for SMDC puts the organization moving from its Wynn Drive location to the complex in February. Construction of the next phase should begin in 2005, with all three phases planned for completion by 2009. When completed, Burleson said it should be about the size of the Sparkman Center. Should the need for more space arise, room for a fourth and possibly fifth phase is available.

"It was a two-year construction and it's been pretty much on schedule," Burleson said. "I think there were a couple of changes that added 4 to 6 weeks to the construction, but other than that it's been right on schedule. We're about ready to turn it over."



PHASING IN— The first phase of the Wernher Von Braun Complex, building 5220, should be complete within two weeks.

Photo by Kelley Lane



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Lodge event

Brandy Borden, left, and Glenda Robison, both of Gold Canyon Candles of Alabama, are among the vendors at the annual Rustic Lodge open house Nov. 20. Some 160 people attended within the first two hours, according to Pat Cross, chairman of the special events committee for the Civilian Welfare Fund Council.

■ Strong winds damage two buildings

Storm

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the Internet at www.nwsnorman.noaa.gov.

- The best way to protect yourself and your family during a tornado is to have a safety plan, and practice it regularly. A good safety plan tells your family exactly where to seek shelter and what to do if a tornado strikes your area. The ideal shelter is underground in a basement or cellar. If one is not available, go to an interior room toward the center of the building, away from windows, and take cover under a mattress or something sturdy.

Purchase a battery powered, weather service radio and stay tuned to it for weather condition updates.

- If you are caught outside during a tornado, the best option is to seek shelter indoors immediately. If an indoor shelter is not nearby, get out of your vehicle and lie down in a ditch or low area. Vehicles may be rolled over or become airborne due to severe winds. Stay away from motor vehicles during severe wind. When seeking shelter in a ditch or low area, lay flat, face down and protect your head and neck. Also, be aware of the danger of flooding associated with rain storms that sometimes accompany tornadoes.

Structure

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"In the first year, IMA established guidelines for Armywide Installation Design Standards and Army Baseline Services; centralized the management of billions of dollars intended to make our installations better places for the Army family; largely eliminated the migration of installation support dollars to mission support; and enabled mission commanders to focus on training and mission execution by making garrison commanders responsible for installation support.

"IMA was also called on to provide mobilization and demobilization support to Operation Iraqi Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism — a major challenge for a new agency, but one that we met successfully because of our outstanding work force."

What has been the reaction of customers? of commanders? Have they noticed differences and if so what?

"As soldiers, we inherently have an aversion to centralization, because that is not how we train and fight. But installation management needed this change and mission commanders have come to accept this.

"The reaction of mission commanders to our support of OIF and GWOT has been positive. While they may have questioned the IMA concept initially, many have now seen the value of having an established garrison structure to take care of managing the installation's day-to-day requirements while mission commanders focus on mission, training and deployment. The mission commanders no longer have to carve out a piece of their staff to leave behind to do garrison functions when they deploy.

"The garrison staff is also a point of

continuity for the installation to the families of deployed soldiers to go to when installation support and service issues arise.

"Soldiers deploy knowing there is a permanent staff back home that will ensure the critical installation services their families rely on will continue to be provided.

"Other changes are less visible in the near term but will prove their effectiveness over time. In the first year we developed and issued common standards for infrastructure (Installation Design Standards) and services (Army Baseline Services). During year two, we will work toward the implementation of IDS and ABS. Other long-term changes include privatization of housing and utilities, achieving regional efficiencies through outsourcing, and developing working relationships and partnerships with other Army commands and agencies that provide vital installation services. We will also establish garrison processes to manage the \$8 billion IMA budget for fiscal year 2004 and beyond.

"Eliminating the migration of installation support dollars will prove beneficial in both the near and long term, as we will have more money available to address some of the critical installation infrastructure needs that have traditionally been deferred because the money has been used for mission support instead."

One of the major thrusts was to be able to "fence" money for installation missions; basically to make sure money was allocated to the garrisons to provide the services and support they needed to provide. Has that happened? Are installations now receiving adequate funding to perform BASOPS functions?

"Fiscal year 2004 is the first year that IMA will have complete responsibility for the management of the installation support dollars.

"During FY '03 the installation dollars were managed through the MACOM resource managers for IMA. The migration of installation dollars to mission support last year was only \$5 million. In past years it had been in the hundreds of millions. Any request to move installation dollars to the mission side of the house must now be approved by the secretary of the Army. Senior mission commanders had that authority previously.

"Garrison commanders are directly receiving funding to perform their BASOPS functions, and can manage those functions now with the confidence that the money they are given at the beginning of the fiscal year will be theirs throughout the year. We do not have all the money that is needed to address all installation infrastructure needs now, but this new system and common standards will make a strong case for improved allocations."

At Redstone, and probably other locations, the sweep of spaces to develop the Garrison TDA has not been without problems. Where are we in the process to scrub and finalize the TDAs? Should employees be concerned if they are not on permanent spaces because the TDAs are not finalized?

"The Transformation of Installation Management and activation of the Installation Management Agency are profound, comprehensive changes that were instituted within the Army in a short period of time. The accelerated transition from the major commands and activation of our agency created disconnects between the critical processes of manpower allocation and documentation.

"We realize TDAs are inaccurate, and have begun the process to make appropriate corrections under the ground rules of the Department of the Army's budget process. We will correct and finalize the IMA TDAs for FY '06.

"In concert with this correction process, we plan to begin the alignment of garrison TDAs into the Standard Garrison Organization, a key aspect of improving service delivery to the units, soldiers, family members and civilians on our installations.

"Pending completion of the FY '06 TDAs, we will use 'working TDAs' for day-to-day management, and will exercise great care to ensure that employees are not disadvantaged in any way by apparent TDA disconnects."

Has there been any change to the structure of IMA/regions?

"The IMA region structure remains the same. In CONUS we have the Northwest, Northeast, Southwest and Southeast regions. The OCONUS regions are Europe, Korea and Pacific."

At the start of this transformation, some installations (those funded by AWCF, etc.) were not moved under IMA command and control. Have they now been incorporated under the IMA umbrel-

la? If not, will they be when, or why will they not be?

"There were 36 special installations identified during the TIM process that have base support services funded primarily from other than Operations and Maintenance, Army or Operations and Maintenance, Army Reserve. These are primarily small and mostly industrial installations without a stand-alone garrison staff. These 36 may be government-owned, government-operated installations or government-owned, contractor-operated installations.

"We expect the GOGO special installations to have a garrison-like structure reporting to IMA for traditional base operations support. They will remain under the command and control of the major commands currently responsible for them. Manpower and funding remain with the MACOM as well.

"At the GOCO special installations, existing contracts will be left in place, and IMA will work through the contracting office at the installation headquarters to provide oversight of base operations support as appropriate.

"For the next two years, at both types of installations, the installation commander will be dual-hatted with installation and garrison responsibilities. They will also be required to comply with the Army standards applicable to their installation to ensure uniformity across the Army. After that time, the management system for special installations will again be reviewed."

TIM was to be completed by Oct 1, 2004. If that is still the schedule, how confident are you that it will be realized?

"IMA will meet full operating capability by Oct. 1, 2004. We have already met the major milestones that have been laid out for IMA. I am confident that we will continue to do so as we move forward with implementing the installation design and service standards that were developed last year, standardizing garrison structures, managing the budget and refining the TDAs."

Any final comments you would like to offer?

"I am impressed daily by the great men and women — military, civilian and contractor — who make up the IMA team. Not only have they met the challenges of standing up a new agency, but they have done it while fully supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism. These successes would not have been possible without their dedication to the mission and their belief in IMA's value to the Army and its soldiers.

"I am also impressed by the commitment of the Army's leadership to the success of this organization as the means to ensure the Army provides the best possible support to its soldiers, families and civilians. "IMA has made great strides thus far, and we look forward to meeting the challenges ahead."

To infinity and beyond with the Golden Knights

SI writer compares Army jump to bikini-clad supermodels

By KATHRYN PARDO
Army News Service

RAEFORD, N.C. — “Next to hanging out with supermodels at the Sports Illustrated swimsuit-edition photo shoot, this was the best experience of my life,” said senior sportswriter Rick Reilly after doing a tandem parachute jump with the U.S. Army Parachute Team, the Golden Knights.

The tandem jump paired Reilly, a 19-year “Sports Illustrated” veteran and eight-time National Sportswriter of the Year, with the Golden Knights, the Army’s world-champion sport parachuting team on Veterans Day.

Reilly will cover the Golden Knights and his tandem in one of his upcoming weekly SI columns: “The Life of Reilly.”

His jump took place from 13,500 feet in the air and at speeds of up to 120 mph. The team landed safely at their drop zone in Raeford, N.C., near Fort Bragg.

Reilly said that the talent and dedication of the Golden Knights shocked and impressed him. To mimic a cliché, he said: “the Army gets more done during 50 seconds of freefall than most people get done all day.”

The Golden Knights are optimistic about what this top media exposure could do for the Army and its athletes.

“The experience opened Mr. Reilly’s eyes that there is a lot more to the military than most people see,” said Lt. Col. Paul MacNamara, the commander of the Golden Knights. “This in turn will help open the door to Army sports and unique units like the Golden Knights.”

“The average civilian doesn’t know much about Army sports besides the fact that they have a football team,” Reilly said. “I could write a movie with all of this, but all I have is one column!”

The Golden Knights skydive competitively, and they have recently captured medals in both the world and national skydiving championships.

“Our team’s successes epitomize the meaning of ‘An Army of One.’ Each members’ contributions are invaluable to the team,” said SFC Elisa Feldt, who competes in the Style and Accuracy parachuting disciplines.

“We are proud to serve the Army as Golden Knights,” MacNamara said. “It is part of the Golden Knight’s mission as Army ambassadors to keep the Army connected with the American public and to garner support for the Army, and I am thrilled to say that Mr. Reilly’s column should help us do that.”

Not only did the Army’s athletes awe Reilly, but they admired him as well.

“It was truly an honor to take Mr. Reilly up for a skydive,” said SFC Billy VanSoelen, Reilly’s tandem



Photo by Kathryn Pardo

FREE BIRD— Sports Illustrated columnist Rick Reilly jumps with members of the U.S. Army “Golden Knights” Parachute Team.

instructor and the assistant leader of the Tandem Team.

“There was nothing but positive sentiment on all sides; each group – the Army and SI – got a better appreciation of each other,” said SSgt. Christopher Talbert, a member of the Free Fall Formation Team.

Reilly demonstrated the unique style and sense of humor that has helped him become one of the nation’s premier sportswriter. For example, when asked how he felt about making the jump, Reilly laughed: “Jump? What are you talking about? I didn’t appreciate being pushed!”

VanSoelen hopes that Reilly’s column will open readers’ eyes to the professionalism of the Golden Knights, as well as to the importance of the team’s support to the Army. The Golden Knights dedicate all of their athletic successes to their fellow soldiers who are deployed throughout the world in places like Iraq and

Afghanistan.

VanSoelen expressed optimism that the article will also show SI readers that the Army is a viable career option with many monetary and career incentives. You can do anything in the Army, even sport parachute professionally, he said.

Reilly has flown upside down at 600 mph in an F-14, driven a stock car at 142 mph, gone scuba diving and competed against 107 women for a spot in the WNBA. After having done all that, Reilly said that doing a tandem jump with the Golden Knights was “the ultimate experience.”

“How do you beat this?” he asked.

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Lt. Gov. Baxley: Children must be better prepared

Education budget facing deficit

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Alabama Lt. Gov. Lucy Baxley drew laughter when she compared working with state senators to working with small children.

But her tone became serious as she described the state's \$285 million education deficit.

"Our kids have to be better prepared to face a more challenging future. You're the ones that are going to be preparing them," she said.

Baxley was the keynote speaker at the American Education Week luncheon Nov. 17 at the Officers and Civilians Club. Some 338 members of the local education community attended.

"I don't know what the answer will be," she said of the budget woes. "The best ideas might come from you."

After her remarks, Baxley told reporters that there are no proposals under consideration to address the shortfall. "There's no way to run the schools at the present standards we have now," she said.

Awards were presented to soldiers previously recognized as NCO/Soldier of the Quarter and Year and to local teachers. The 2003 American Education Week theme was, "Great Public Schools for



Photo by Skip Vaughn

MEET THE PRESS— Lt. Gov. Lucy Baxley talks to reporters outside the Officers and Civilians Club.

Every Child: America's Promise." And the Army's observance theme was, "Army Education for Every Soldier: The Army's Promise."

"Thank you for being a part of the Army's team," Col. Bob Devlin, Garrison commander, said.

Here are the honorees for 2002-03:

- *The Huntsville Times* Golden Apple Teacher award recipients include Wanda Crowell, Harvest Elementary; Mary Rankin, Horizon Elementary; Christine Jones, Liberty Middle; Flora Davis, Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary; Linda Reagan, Mountain Gap Elementary;

Becky Zimmerman, New Hope High; Susan Hand, Owens Cross Roads School; Monique Shandrew, Rainbow Elementary; Dean Sanders, Butler High; Sandra Collier, Seldon Center; and Sheila Brantley, Terry Heights Elementary.

- The Alabama State Teacher of the Year winners include: for Huntsville city schools — Anne McArthur, sixth-grade at Chapman Elementary, and Kay Gonzales, mathematics at Huntsville High; Madison County schools — Joan Comer, reading specialist at Endeavor Elementary, and Pam Gothart, "Teaching American History" grant coordinator at Sparkman High, who taught 10th-grade American history in 2002-03; Madison city schools — Anita Dillard, third-grade at Rainbow Elementary, and Leigh Adams, seventh-grade science at Liberty Middle.
- Alfa Teacher of the Month —

William Byrd III, eighth-grade math at Riverton Middle.

- The Toyota International Teacher Program honoree — Vanessa Chandler, "Family and Consumer Sciences" teacher at Lee High.

- NCO/Soldier of the Quarter — SSgt. Michael Alexander of Delta Company and Spec. Rachael Arnold of HHC AMCOM, first quarter; SSgt. Gildardo Calderon of Headquarters & Alpha and Spec. (now Sgt.) Ha Thu Tran of MEDDAC, second quarter; SSgt. Stephen Dix of HHC 59th and Pvt. Hector Lopez of Bravo Company, third quarter; Sgt. Patrick Perry of HHC 59th and Spec. Alejandro Gentry of Bravo Company, fourth quarter.

- NCO/Soldier of the Year — SSgt. Stephen Dix of HHC 59th and Spec. (now Sgt.) Ha Thu Tran of MEDDAC.



Photo by Sandra Keeter

Basket harvest

Harvest Elementary students Kelsey Kennedy, Jenny Zupancich and Kristen White represent their fifth-grade class. The school held a silent auction Nov. 7 to help fund both the Saxon Phonics Program and the Accelerated Math and Reading Novel Programs for kindergarten through fifth-grade. The Redstone Arsenal Chapter of the Warrant Officers Association donated a \$245 check to help fund the "Baking Delight" basket. The highest bid on the basket earned \$300 toward the grand total of \$3,833.

Tanker tapped as 13th sergeant major of the Army



Courtesy photo

IN FIELD— CSM Kenneth Preston, at Baghdad International Airport, is currently dual-hatted as the top enlisted soldier of V Corps and Combined Joint Task Force 7 in Iraq.

Preston serving on deployment

By Spec. BILL PUTNAM
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The top enlisted soldier in Germany was named the 13th sergeant major of the Army Nov. 18.

CSM Kenneth Preston, the command sergeant major of the Germany-based V Corps since April 2001, was selected by the Acting Secretary of the Army Les Brownlee and Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Peter Schoomaker to succeed Sergeant Major of the Army Jack Tilley.

Tilley is retiring from the Army Jan. 15 after almost 35 years of service.

Preston, who is also serving as the command sergeant major for Combined Joint Task Force 7 in Baghdad, said the announcement was surprising.

"You always assess yourself as being a little more qualified than some and not as qualified as others," Preston said. "I am very excited about the selection and look forward to the challenges ahead."

Tilley said the announcement

is an exciting day for the Army and Preston. "He is an outstanding choice to be the 13th SMA," Tilley said. "He brings a great deal of experience to the table and will do great things for the Army."

Preston has served in every leadership position from tank commander to corps command sergeant major since enlisting June 20, 1975.

As the Army's top enlisted soldier, Preston will be Schoomaker's chief adviser on enlisted-related matters. He will travel extensively around the world meeting with soldiers and their families, and observing Army training and operations.

He will testify before Congress on behalf of the Army, and sit on a wide variety of councils and boards that make decisions affecting enlisted soldiers and their families.

A native of Mount Savage, Md., Preston's first assignment was the 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas. In 1978 he went the 3rd Armored Division's 1st Battalion, 33rd Armor Regiment.

After Germany he was an instructor at the Army's Armor School at Fort Knox, Ky. During

that time he was one of the first M-1 Abrams trained instructors and master gunners in the Army.

From there he went on to serve as an exchange instructor at the British Army's Royal Armoured Corps Gunnery School.

Following a tour with the 12th Cavalry Regiment, Preston served as the regimental master gunner for the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. He deployed to Kuwait for Operation Positive Force and Provide Comfort.

Following that assignment Preston went to serve at the Noncommissioned Officers Academy at Fort Knox. Next he was a student at the Sergeants Major Academy at Fort Bliss, Texas, and battalion and brigade command sergeant major in the 1st Cavalry at Fort Hood. While at Fort Hood he deployed to Bosnia for a year.

After Bosnia he served as the 1st Armored Division's command sergeant major.

In April 2001 he moved on to serve as the V Corps' top enlisted soldier. In February he deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Preston and his wife, Karen, have three children, Valerie, Kenneth and Michael.

Clippingers tour the country, meeting new friends

Army recognizes military families

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Traditionally the week of Thanksgiving is celebrated as Military Family Appreciation week, a time to highlight the sacrifices of the family behind the soldier. A time to say thanks to the people who live on the military merry-go-round of constant change and little control because that's what a soldier must do.

"For us, being in the military is an honor," said Julie Clippinger, wife of WO 1 Donald Clippinger of Headquarters and Alpha Company. "We love it. Yes, there are some sacrifices that have to be made, not everything is perfect but Army life has been great for us. The kids even like moving from place to place. We've gotten to see and do so much more than most people because of the Army."

After just a few minutes of talking with the family, it's easy to see that this silver-lining attitude isn't an act or a rehearsed politically correct response to questions about being a military family. Nor is it naivety. Julie grew up the daughter of a career Navy father. It was a family deci-

sion when Donald enlisted in 1993; and they are convinced it was the right thing to do.

The Clippingers were married five years before they joined the Army. "I had my own business," Donald said. "I worked all the time — six days a week. I was up and gone before the kids were up and home late every day. There was Sunday but half of that is spent in church. We didn't have any real family time. Julie worked, too."

When the business closed, Donald spent six months looking for work before he and Julie talked to the Army recruiter. "I didn't know if it was something we'd stay with," Donald said. "But once I was in, I liked it. The family liked it. We realized we had more time together with me being in the Army than what we had as civilians."

In the past 10 years, the Clippingers have spent about equal time among three duty stations: Fort Stewart, Ga., Fort Lewis, Wash., and Redstone. While stationed at Fort Lewis, Donald spent a year deployed to Johnson Island in the Pacific for chemical weapons demilitarization.

"Every time we move, we make it a family vacation," Julie said. "The kids and I have seen all but 14 states in the United States. We've seen the Grand Canyon, Mount Rushmore. Sometimes kids will

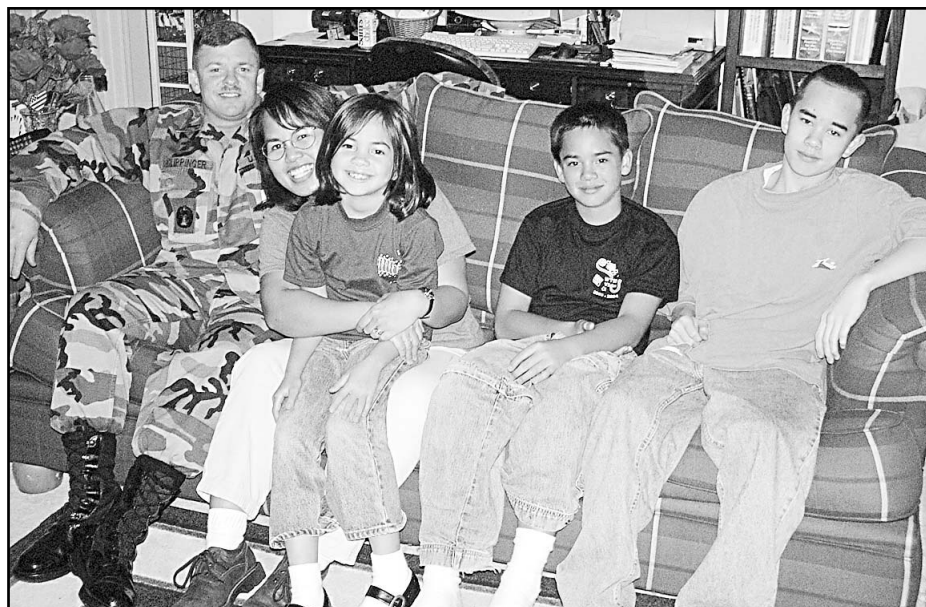


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ALL IN THE FAMILY— Ironically, the Clippingers have more time together since becoming a military family. From left are WO 1 Donald, his wife, Julie and their children, Kristen, Matthew and James.

ask our children if we're rich because they've gone all these different places. They just say, 'No, we're military.' We've been wanting to go overseas but that hasn't happened yet."

"When I came into the Army as an ammo tech I was told I'd never get promoted because there were so many of us," Donald said. "But I did. I made E-5, then E-6 then E-7 in less than 10 years. I guess it just proves that if you give something your best and stay with it long enough, you'll get promoted."

The Clippingers, with their three children, Kristen, 8, Matthew, 12, and James, 14, arrived at Redstone in 2000. Donald was an instructor before a two-year stint as a drill sergeant.

"That was probably the hardest, for me and the family," Donald said. "Even though you get extra pay, it's not really a benefit because you end up spending all that on expenses that come up because of the job. The hours are long. I don't regret it. I'm proud that I was a drill sergeant. Soldiers remember their drill sergeants, even 20 or 30 years later. I've gotten let-

ters from some of my soldiers. I also got feedback from commanders. They'll let you know if you're sending out quality."

The decision to stay in the Army and go to warrant officer school was again, a family decision. There were concerns, especially with the war in Iraq but they are military all the way. Donald finished his school in September and is now going through the warrant officers basic course here.

In January, he'll ship out to Korea for a one-year tour.

The family will stay busy with volunteer work. Julie works at Wal-Mart part time but still finds the energy to serve as an instructor with Army Family Team Building, the mayor for her housing area and as a member of the Enlisted Spouses Club.

"I've learned so much from spending time with other spouses, right from the start," she said. "I learned from their experiences. And having their support — it's like having another family. It's one of

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Operations center helps brighten holiday season

Staffers contribute to servicemembers

By Col. STEVE SPATOLA
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Lt. Col. Phil Bragg, first-shift leader at the AMCOM Operations Center, told the soldiers and civilians in the center that local contractor Sparta was collecting shoeboxes full of soldier desired items to ship to them in Iraq. Contractor Ronnie Hawkins volunteered to do the shopping after Bragg raised the funds.

Hawkins came back with the treasures most wanted, to include wash cloths, baby wipes, batteries, writing tablets, gum, lifesavers, pens, envelopes, crossword puzzle books and other miscellaneous items. A special item inserted was the latest copy of the Redstone Rocket, letting the troops know what we do to support them. Altogether, they wrapped and delivered 14 shoeboxes to Sparta.

Col. Steve Spatola realized that there was no advertised call for the local needy soldiers and he encouraged the Operations team to sponsor three enlisted families with complete food baskets to celebrate the blessings of this nation. They collected \$94 that also included 10 bottles of Louisiana hot sauce to send with the shoeboxes. They are a much sought after

condiment in Iraq and other deployed theaters. The hot sauce will help the soldiers remember the rocket center.

Spatola, an Army cook and mess sergeant from 1967-75, and Bragg went to the Commissary, sorted the food into six boxes and delivered them to Delta Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion. Delta commander Capt. James Rowe was pleased to be able to help soldiers in his command by distributing them to the most needy soldiers and families. Bragg and Spatola also gave Rowe some cash to pay for soldiers that would take their spouse to the Redstone dining facility on Thanksgiving Day rather than cook.

"It was very generous and much appreciated," Rowe said. "I have a very large company (around 250 soldiers) and with any large organization, there's always a percentage of need that needs to be met. It was very generous and we're grateful for the soldier care and support that the community and others like the colonel have given."

While the Integrated Materiel Management Center runs the Operations Center even on holidays, the soldiers and civilians want to keep the Redstone experience a community of one for all soldiers.

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Photo by Col. Steve Spatola

CHECKING IT TWICE— Lt. Col. Phil Bragg of AMCOM Operations Center finishes sorting food baskets.

Stars are disappearing at Post Exchange

Youth sponsored Angel tree empty after first weekend

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Teens from the Youth Center weren't even finished decorating the Angel tree at the Post Exchange when shoppers started asking for the stars with the names of children in need.

The tree went up Saturday, Nov. 15, with the names of 25 children who need a little help getting a merry Christmas. By the following Monday, the tree was bare of all the stars.

"It's great," Amber Pitre, Teen Council secretary at the Youth Center, said. "I love the idea of helping all these kids get presents at Christmas."

"We're ready to add more stars," Yashica Smith, teen director of the Youth Center, said. "Last year we ended up with over 100. We're waiting for the latecomers to send in the names of families who need assistance."

Soldiers in need should contact their first sergeants and make the request. Once it goes through proper approval, the names, along with ages, clothing sizes and gender, will be forwarded to the Youth Center. It's not too late to apply.

Good Samaritans pick a star, purchase, wrap and deliver the presents to either the service desk at the PX or the Youth Center by Dec. 15 and then they are distributed to the families.

"You should see the families' faces light up when they see the gifts," Smith said. "I wish the youth could see what a

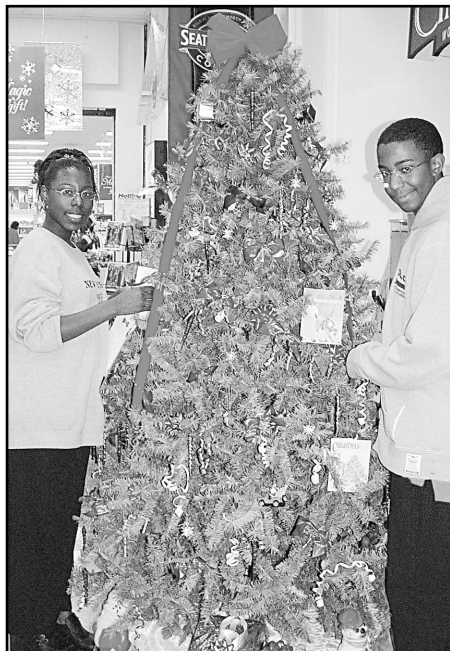


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READY FOR MORE— All the stars with children's names are gone from the youth sponsored Angel tree at the Post Exchange. Amber Pitre, Teen Council secretary, and Isaiah Clemons, Teen Council president, return two days after the stars were placed to find the tree empty.

difference it makes to the families. They're usually in school when they come, though. We want to thank the community for supporting the program. They always make it a great year. It's wonderful to know you've helped a family in need."

Center workers contribute to needy children

SOS Angels soars into 14th year

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Many people have special memories about Christmas. One 19-year-old man recalled a Christmas that his mother didn't have a job. A local organization adopted him from an Angel Tree and gave him a football. It may have been just a football, but it made a definite impression with the young man, one he will carry for the rest of his life.

Redstone workers have the opportunity to make this kind of difference in a child's life for Christmas. Integrated Materiel Management Center is organizing its annual SOS Angels for the Salvation Army. Organizations and individuals across Redstone are encouraged to adopt an angel.

SOS Angels was started 14 years ago by Margot Sheaffer, now retired. She coined the name SOS Angels because she compared children to angels and saw that these children need help.

"My childhood in Germany before, during and after WW II was an extreme, ugly experience," Sheaffer

said. "I wanted it to be different for children here."

Terry Russell Green has succeeded Sheaffer as organizer. "People are so generous. We usually get an abundance of toys," Green, a logistics management specialist, said. "One year we had over 50 bikes."

The SOS Angel process starts in mid-October, when Green requests angels for distribution at Redstone. The Salvation Army provides the angels in November to the volunteer contacts and an announcement is made that the angels are ready for adoption. Volunteer contacts work to make sure all angels are adopted and their gifts are then collected in December.

The Redstone community usually adopts around 100 angels every year. The angels are children from Madison County ranging from 6 months to 13 years old. In one year, 300 angels were adopted. In recent years though, the number of adopted angels has declined.

Charlotte Rutherford, a volunteer contact since 1989, understands why the number of adopted angels has dropped. "People may be adopting angels

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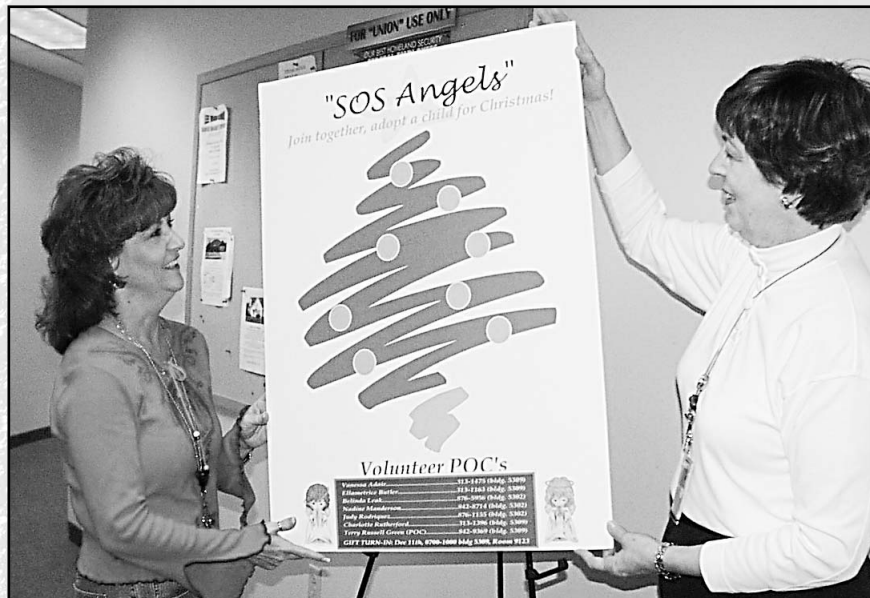


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HAPPY TO HELP— Volunteer contacts Nadine Manderson and Charlotte Rutherford put up a poster announcing the SOS Angels drive.

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the reasons we do so much volunteering. There was someone there for me when I needed it. And they still are. So I want to be around to help other people with what I've learned."

Volunteer work is another way to get in some quality family time. "The kids help me with a lot of the things I do. I think it teaches them, too, about giving to others."

Julie and Donald say that the Army has taught their children many things. "They make friends quicker," Julie said. "Once they get to a new place, their first goal is to get out and make a friend. They learn to cherish friendships because they never know when one of them will have to move on."

Giving their children a worldview is another benefit. "Even though we haven't had a chance to go overseas yet, they've seen a lot of different cultures right here in America," Donald said. "They've learned to accept all people. Race, religion, money – that stuff isn't important to them when they make friends. In our world, there's one color – green."

The Clippingers say that Army life and its uncertainties help build stronger bonds among the family and at the same time, teaches them self-reliance. Having strong faith and a solid church family is also important.

Even though they focus on the positives of military life, Julie and Donald each have opinions about needed

improvements. Julie's biggest gripe would be with the health care system. "We don't have enough specialists in this area and you have to wait so long and get through so much paperwork to get medical attention. That needs to be fixed, I think."

For Donald, it's the overall operational tempo for active duty soldiers and the Reserves and National Guard called to active duty, especially since the war in Iraq.

"Congress, the people, need to fund more active duty personnel," he said. "The deployments are getting longer and the time between deployments shorter. You can't make any kind of stable life if you're always trying to adjust to coming home or getting ready to leave. I'm not saying we shouldn't deploy. I'm a soldier. I knew what that meant when I joined. I don't have a problem with going but we need a bigger active duty Army. If they're going to send us all over the world in big numbers, they need to be willing to pay for the manpower to support it."

Being in the military means taking the good with the bad and they all agree the benefits far outweigh the drawbacks.

This week is dedicated to appreciating the sacrifices of military families. The Clippingers do that. They love and depend on and appreciate the military families that serve with them. But they are also grateful to the Army. "There's still a lot more things we want to do – a lot more of the world we want to see," Julie said. "The Army can take us there."

Services, activities abound this holiday season

Santa arrives on fire truck Dec. 4 for tree lighting

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The season of giving has already begun at Redstone where last week Bicentennial Chapel congregations treated soldiers to a Thanksgiving potluck supper. They also collected more than 130 gift-wrapped shoe boxes full of goodies for needy children around the world, delivered through a program called Operation Christmas Child.

"There's this wonderful lady, Marie Southworth. She's 89 years old. She saves money all year long to buy the stuff to fill 25 shoe boxes," Patty Wilson, religious education coordinator, said. "She does it every year and she always does such a beautiful job."

But this is just the beginning. Chapel events, activities, services and programs are scheduled throughout December. Volunteers will officially kick off the season Saturday with the annual greening the chapel at 9 a.m.

A German Candlelight Christmas service and reception, sponsored by the German Patriot Office, will be Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. "A German pastor from Washington, D.C., is coming to do the service," Col. Egon Harms, service coordinator, said. "It's

something we do every year for the German community but everyone is welcome. Afterwards we will have German cookies and cake. It's a very nice time."

Santa arrives on post during the holiday tree lighting, Dec. 4 at 4:30 p.m.

"We'll be gathering out front near the Evergreen for the tree lighting," Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Penney said. "We'll sing some Christmas carols. An ensemble from Westminster Christian Academy will perform. We're also expecting Santa to arrive on a fire truck sometime in there."

After Santa greets everyone, he'll retire to the assembly room to hear Christmas wishes while the adults enjoy a reception in the activity room. "Baked goods — you know, the fattening kind," will be provided by volunteers of the chapel, Penney said.

While you're there having a little fun, you can help someone else in your community find their Christmas joy by donating to the Holiday Food Sharing Program.

"There are some soldiers, E-5 and below, with families, who would really appreciate a little help this year," said Chaplain (Maj.) Joey Byrd, in charge of the food program. "We'll be receiving donations from organizations and interested persons willing to make a contribution which is used for gift certificates at the Commissary for soldiers to feed their families. One hundred percent goes directly to our soldiers for food purchases — no alcohol, no tobacco."

The program raised and distributed \$11,500 to Redstone soldiers last year. Byrd believes the need will be as great or greater this year. You can bring donations to the chapel or mail a check made payable to CTOF (annotate holiday food sharing program in the memo space) and send to Bicentennial Chapel, building 376, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898. Soldiers who need a little help this year can contact their chain of command to be added to the list. Anyone with questions can call Byrd at 842-2965 or e-mail: joey.byrd@redstone.army.mil.

Christmas Around the World will be hosted by the chapel Dec. 7 at 5 p.m. "It's a seasonal cultural celebration that shows how people celebrate the holiday with foods and traditions," Penney said. "It's a fun time of learning about other people and their cultures. We have such a diverse population here, and the military as a whole is uniquely diverse, it's a great opportunity to learn about the people around us."

All the youth are invited to join in an

evening of caroling on the Arsenal Dec. 14 at 5 p.m. Call Mike Fishel, 876-2237, director of Club Beyond, to become a part of the group or for more details.

The following is a schedule for Bicentennial Chapel holiday events and services:

- Nov. 29 — Greening the Chapel 9 a.m.; Dec. 3 — German Candlelight Service 7 p.m.; Dec. 4 — Holiday Tree Lighting 4:30 p.m.; Dec. 7 — Protestant Advent Celebration 9:30 a.m., Catholic Advent Celebration 10:45 a.m. and Christmas Around the World 5 p.m.

- Dec. 14 — Christmas musical service 11 a.m., and youth sponsored caroling 5 p.m.; Dec. 15 — Penance service 5 p.m.; Dec. 24 — Christmas Vigil Mass (candlelight) 5 p.m., Candlelight Communion Service 7:30 p.m.; Christmas pageant 11:30 p.m. and Christmas mass at midnight; Dec. 25 — Christmas Day mass 9:30 a.m.; Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve mass 5 p.m.; and Jan. 1 — New Year's Day mass 9:30 a.m.

For questions about services or activities, call the chapel at 876-2409.



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

GOOD SAMARITANS— Spec. Chaka Grant-Timmons, Bicentennial Chapel publicist, loads wrapped shoe boxes full of gifts donated by the community for Operation Christmas Child, a worldwide outreach ministry.

Redstone wraps up holiday party plans

Enjoy music, dinner, dancing at Officers and Civilians Club

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After months of planning, decorations galore, the menu selected, and entertainment booked, it's almost ready. All that's left is the guest list for Team Redstone's annual Holiday Party.

Will you be joining us?

Fun and festivities begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at the Officers and Civilians Club. A pre-dinner mini concert by the Huntsville Community Chorus will help guests get in the spirit.

Dinner will be served at 7:30, with a menu of New York Strip, boneless breast of chicken topped with supreme sauce, fresh greens salad, Anna potatoes, steamed vegetable medley, rolls, butter, coffee, ice tea and water. For dessert, there's a slice of red velvet cake.

"It's a beautiful meal by chef James Skelton," Bob Howell, Officers and Civilians Club manager, said. "He puts those final holiday touches to make it special.

Lots of tender loving care from the club's staff goes into this event to thank the community for their support throughout the year. It's a pleasure for us. We take pride in providing professional service."

After dinner, deejays from America's Party Pros kick it up a notch for all those Footloose wannabes. Cash bar will be available and there will be a special gift drawing after the meal.

Tickets are \$22 and can be purchased through the following points of contact: Sarah Brazzel, 313-0546, building 4488; Pat Carter, 876-1735, building 5302; Jill Cramer, 876-3552, building 8716; Debra Foley, 842-6783, building 5302; Elnora McCamey, 313-3425, PEO ASMD on Wynn Drive; Gail McElrath, 876-5514, building 5300; Debbie Mitchell, 955-5414, SMDC; Melba Moody, 842-8818, building 4100; Becky Priddy, 876-0714, building 5250; Priscilla Sanders, 955-0127, building 3300; Dot Sandlin, 313-0266, building 5308; Carol Smith, 876-3202, building 5301; Jackie Smith, 313-6886, building 7613; Chris Swart, 876-1457, building 5308; Corinne Thomas, 876-7498, building 6260; and Nan Wilson, 313-4010, building 5681.

■ Campaign signals SOS for youngsters

Angels

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through other outlets," she said. "Economics plays into it as well."

Anyone at Redstone can adopt an angel. Volunteer contacts provide the child's name, age, sex, sizes and wish list. All items on the wish list don't have to be purchased.

Gifts should be wrapped and marked with the child's identification number. All gifts must be bagged in the provided mesh bag or trash bag and marked with the child's identification number as well.

Volunteer contacts find the experience personally rewarding. "Most people don't get to see the big picture," Green said. "When you are on our side you get to see all of the bags of toys that are collected for those in need."

"It is rewarding to know these children will have a nice Christmas they wouldn't have otherwise," Rutherford said.

The Salvation Army picks up the gifts from Redstone, sorts them with the other 3,000 angels from the area and organizes them. The gifts fill the empty Krogers building on Drake Avenue. The parents come by on a specified date and time to keep the process running smoothly.

Judy Mason, case supervisor for Salvation Army, appreciates the support that Redstone has provided over the years. "They are wonderful because they've made a difference in a lot of families. They have made a lot of children happy at Christmas," she said.

The Salvation Army screens individu-

als to ensure they are in need. It is important to provide to these children because they don't understand why their parents cannot get them the toy they saw on television and there is peer pressure at school to wear certain clothes, Mason said.

She described the week leading to the collection of the toys as hectic. Many of the children have siblings and you have to make sure that one sibling didn't get more than another. Also, there is a little trouble when someone forgets to buy for their angel.

'It is rewarding to know these children will have a nice Christmas they wouldn't have otherwise.'

— Charlotte Rutherford
SOS Angels volunteer

"We've been successful at getting every angel adopted," Mason said. "Even when people forget about them, we scurry to supplement those without. Toy drives help in this process as well."

The SOS Angels drive opened Nov. 11 and continues until Dec. 10 when all gifts are due. Anyone wishing to adopt an angel should call any of the following volunteers: Terry Russell Green 842-9369, Vanessa Adair 313-1475, Ellametrica Butler 313-1163, Belinda Leak 876-5956, Nadine Manderson 842-8714, Judy Rodriguez 876-1155 or Charlotte Rutherford 313-1396.

HHC 59th upsets Delta in flag football final

Second seed in playoffs beats defending champ

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Nothing else had stopped Delta quarterback Laquaine Bess so maybe this would be the answer.

In the winners' bracket final Thursday night, HHC 59th tried using three rushers on defense instead of two in an effort to contain Delta's slashing signal-caller.

"We tried a new defense against them," 59th linebacker Sam Rodgers said afterward. "And it just didn't work."

Uh, no.

Bess threw for two touchdowns and ran for two more as Delta beat HHC 59th 32-14 to advance to Monday night's flag football championship. But the 59th bounced back and swept the defending champion in the final 28-20 and 46-38.

"We rolled up the sleeves and just went pound for pound with them," 59th quarterback Jerry McIntyre said. "It was a good competitive game. We came out with the theory: one stop, we win the game. And we stopped them a few series. And they had trouble stopping us. I think we were operating on all cylinders (Monday night)."

The 59th's key scoring plays in the deciding game included McIntyre's 40-yard touchdown pass to Patrick Perry with one second left before halftime, a 38-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Michael McGilton to open the second half and an 18-yard touchdown pass from McIntyre to Delbert Francis with 50 seconds left in the game.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

TAKING AIM— Delta quarterback Laquaine Bess warms up against the 59th.

"Defense was led by Dash Bean, he did an outstanding job containing the fastest quarterback on post (Bess)," McIntyre said. "That was the key to our victory. Defense continued to bend but didn't break."

"It was nice competition out there," Bess said after Thursday's game at the Patton Road field. "Hands down, we got this post on lock. For real. We've got more mature players, more experience."

Bess completed 5-of-7 passes for 129 yards and touchdowns of 46 and 10. He rushed nine times for 92 yards and scored from the 2 and 10.

The Devastating Dragons (11-3) set the tone after the opening kickoff with a five-play, 42-yard drive. Bess ran four times for 35 yards on the march and scored from the 2 at 15:06. He ran for two points and Delta led 8-0.

Bess connected with center Stanley Lewis on a 46-yard touchdown pass at 2:24 and the Dragons led 14-0 at halftime.

"We knew 59th was going to come out and play a good game," said Lewis, who finished with two catches for 96 yards. "We just did a better one. Our defense stepped up and got a couple of key interceptions."

The 59th (13-2) cut the deficit to 14-8 early in the second half. McIntyre connected with McGilton on a 10-yard touchdown pass and with Francis for two points at 17:16.

Delta's Del Williams answered with a 16-yard touchdown run at 12:36. Williams, who was a wide receiver/kick returner for the New Jersey Red Devils in the Eastern Arena Football League in 1998, also had two of Delta's three interceptions.

Bess scored on a 10-yard run at 7:19 and the Dragons led 26-8. The 59th tried to mount a comeback with McIntyre's 15-yard touchdown pass to Perry at 5:55. But 26-14 was as close as the "Raise up" bunch would get.

"They kicked our a—," said Perry, who finished with six catches for 61 yards. "They were the better team tonight."

"We'll see them Monday in the championship," McGilton said.

Delta wide receiver Christopher Frazer caught a 10-yard touchdown pass from Bess with four minutes left for the game's last points. It came after Bruce Hollis caught a 20-yard pass for a first down at the 10.

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Courtesy photo

Celebrating heritage

Kevin Mcelyea and Leah Long performed Native American dances at the second annual Native American Celebration on Nov. 17 at the Huntsville Boys and Girls Club, 101 Mason Court. "The kids enjoyed the participation and the dances," the event's founder-organizer Rosie Douglas said.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Native dance

Kayla Sterling of Cherokee Nation of Alabama performs a fancy shawl dance during the Native American Heritage Month program Nov. 18 at Bob Jones Auditorium. The program's theme was, "Strengthening the Spirit of Our Nation."



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Flight plan

The American Society of Military Comptrollers is a sponsor of the Huntsville Flight professional basketball team as part of its community outreach efforts. From left are Chris Johnson, coordinator of sales for the Flight; Julius Heidelberg, a member of the Flight board; Mit Merritt, ASMC president; and Charlie Barnes, immediate past president.

Texas Longhorns gore rival Aggies

Hawaii gets nod
over Alabama

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My college football predictions are 252-101 after 14 weeks. Here are Skip's Picks for selected games this week:

Texas at Texas A&M — **Texas**
Alabama at Hawaii — **Hawaii**
Arkansas at LSU — **LSU**
Florida State at Florida — **Florida State**
Georgia at Georgia Tech — **Georgia**
Tennessee at Kentucky — **Tennessee**
Ole Miss at Mississippi State — **Ole Miss**
Arizona at Arizona State — **Ariz. State**
Nebraska at Colorado — **Nebraska**
Louisville at Cincinnati — **Louisville**
Miami at Pittsburgh — **Miami**
Notre Dame at Stanford — **ND**
Syracuse at Rutgers — **Syracuse**
Virginia Tech at Virginia — **Va. Tech**



■ Second seed sweeps postseason championship

Football

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But the 59th celebrated Monday night after regaining the championship it won two years ago.

"The pressure is on HHC 59th now. We won the last two major sporting events — football and softball," McIntyre said. "So now we've got to get ready for basketball."

The 59th advanced to the final by beating MEDDAC 42-26 after MEDDAC

eliminated Charlie 44-32. Postseason tournament results from last week included:

Nov. 17 — Delta d. 2117th 20-18, AMCOM d. Bravo 12-6 and Charlie d. Headquarters & Alpha 12-6.

Nov. 18 — Games were postponed because of bad weather.

Nov. 19 — HHC 59th d. MEDDAC 20-13, Charlie d. 2117th 36-32 and MEDDAC d. AMCOM 22-14.

Nov. 20 — Delta d. HHC 59th 32-14, MEDDAC d. Charlie 44-32 and HHC 59th d. MEDDAC 42-26.

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Sports & Recreation

Monday night football

Come out and enjoy Monday night football with friends at Firehouse Pub. Each Monday night throughout the NFL season, they're serving up free hot dogs and hamburgers with beverage purchase and watching MNF on the big screen. They'll also have door prize drawings. Come early for a good seat. The Firehouse Pub, located in building 114 on Hankins Road (north off Goss Road, near the pool), opens at 4 p.m. For more information, call 842-0748 or 830-2582. Upcoming games include Dec. 1, Tennessee vs. N.Y. Jets; Dec. 8, St. Louis vs. Cleveland; and Dec. 15, Philadelphia vs. Miami.

Bowling center

Child and Youth Services is registering youth ages 5-18 for league play that starts Jan. 10. The league will play each Saturday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Redstone Lanes, building 3707 on Aerobee Road. Cost is \$75 per bowler and includes 14 weeks of bowling, shoe rental, Young American Bowling Alliance membership, Central Registration fee, T-Shirt, free Sunday bowling from 3-5 p.m., and free shoes anytime. Certified bowling instructors will be on hand. Register Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Challenger Community Activity Center, building 1500 on Weeden Mountain Road. For more information, call 876-3704.

Golfers' snack bar

The Redstone Arsenal Golf Course Snack Bar is moving to the Pro Shop. As of close-of-business Nov. 23, the MWR Golf Course Snack Bar will be closed for the winter and reopen in March. Meanwhile, the Pro Shop will have snacks, drinks and sodas on hand for players. Come play a round and visit the MWR Golf Course today. For more information, call 883-7977.



Conferences & Meetings

Protestant women

Protestant Women of the Chapel meets Thursdays from 9:30 to noon at Bicenten-

nial Chapel. Four studies are offered. "Come for fellowship, worship, prayer and Bible study," a prepared release said. Child care is available. Other classes are held Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and in the evening. For more information, call Tonie Welch 489-5646 or Jennifer Devlin 716-0107.

Sunday school

Adults are invited to study the book of James at Sunday school from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel, room 13. For more information, call Tonie Welch 489-5646.

Property and contracts

The Rocket City Chapter of the National Property Management Association with the Huntsville Chapter of the National Contract Management Association will hold an Educational Seminar Dec. 4 at Boeing Research Park, 950 Explorer Boulevard. Topics include Plant Clearance and Disposal, Movements and Transfers, University Property, Essentials of Modern Government Furnished Property Administrative Systems, and NCMA Benefits. Cost is \$75 for members and \$90 for non-members. For registration information, call Bill Butler 890-8054 or Debie Grissom 544-6572.

Officers association

The Huntsville Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America, formerly The Retired Officers Association, will hold its annual Christmas dinner party Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Entertainment will be provided by Audio Radiance, a barbershop quartet. Reservations are required. All active, retired and former military officers; their spouses and widows, are invited. For more information, call retired CWO 4 Aniceto Bagley 852-7973.

Communicators club

Learn the art of speaking, listening and thinking through the Communications Club which meets every Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at Sparkman building 5300, room 5140 on the first floor. For information call Dan Cutshall 876-4547 or Ron Legowik 876-5619.

Union meeting

AFGE Local 1858 will hold its monthly

meeting Dec. 8 at 5 p.m. in the conference room of building 3202 on Mauler Road. For an agenda, send the following web site: afge1858.org.



Miscellaneous

Merit awards

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club each year presents Merit Awards to qualified applicants based on their scholastic achievements, citizenship and sincere desire to pursue higher education. These awards are designed to help offset the cost of tuition, books and related fees. All applicants must meet the following criteria: be a member, spouse of a member, or the dependent of an OCWC member in good standing as of Oct. 1, 2003 and live within a 50-mile radius of Huntsville. Candidates may compete in one of four categories: high school senior, undergraduate, graduate and member/spouse. Previous award winners may compete in succeeding years, but may win only once in each category. Additionally, students receiving full scholarships are not eligible to apply for a Merit Award. Applications will be available at all OCWC board meetings and luncheons beginning in October. The deadline for Merit Award consideration is Feb. 11, 2004. For more information call Michelle Archer, the Merit Award chairperson, 534-5783.

Reserve unit

A local Army Reserve detachment doing weekend drills on Redstone Arsenal is looking for prior active duty soldiers who want to return to duty, or soldiers who wish to transfer from other Reserve/National Guard units with a specialty of 74B information systems operators, and 75B/H unit administration. For 74B, the unit will consider reclassification/waiver action to 74B if you can document with resume your Civilian Acquired Skills to include your education/experience in the following computer skills: data base management, PC programming languages, networking/systems administration and telecommunications skills. Minimum of a secret clearance is required. And you must possess the character and personal qualifications to pass a SBI Investigation check to obtain a top secret clearance required by the specialty. Specialties 74C and 74F are now authorized to convert to 74B as well. For MOS 75B/H, you must be MOS-Q prior service or transfer from another unit. For information call Charles Vartan 876-0604 (work) or 883-8891 (home).

Civilian deployment

Civilian employees are needed to support Aviation and Missile Command missions overseas. Deployment opportunities exist in Southwest Asia in support of Operation

Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Skill sets needed include acquisition, maintenance, supply, quality assurance, engineers, operations officers, logistics and automation, among others. Volunteers must be currently employed by AMCOM. Contractors cannot be considered to fill these positions. Civilians interested in deploying should notify their supervisor and call Jane Wyatt 876-4106 or Maj. Felicia Carter 313-3867. Contractors and other interested people can access www.cpol.army.mil for openings and opportunities for overseas employment.

Surplus sales

Marshall Space Flight Center's surplus property can be purchased through the General Services Administration sales web site. To bid on this property, go to www.gsaauctions.gov. For more information, call 544-4667.

Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Hercules Road, is open for shopping Wednesdays 9-5, and Thursdays and Fridays from 9-4. Walk-in consignment hours are Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9-12:30. Appointments are Wednesdays and Thursdays 12:30-3. The shop is accepting winter clothes and items. It is closed Thanksgiving week. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. "Join us Dec. 6 from 10-2 for our brown bag sale; specially priced items for children 12 and under, and Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be here for a visit," a prepared release said. For more information, call 881-6992.

Benefit concert

Are you looking for a special way to enjoy the Christmas holidays and to participate in the annual Toys for Tots program? The Toys for Tots Christmas Concert is Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chen Auditorium at University of Alabama-Huntsville, on Holmes Avenue off Sparkman Drive. This is musical evening is presented by the Marine Corps and the Rocket City Barbershop Chorus. Admission is a new toy or a \$5 donation; and all proceeds go to Toys for Tots. For more information, call John Gonzalez 852-2408 or George Davis 498-2046.

Center holiday party

The Integrated Materiel Management Center will hold its annual Christmas party Dec. 16 from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Tickets are on sale for \$12 until Dec. 1. After Dec. 1, tickets will be \$13. This year's theme is "Jingle Bell Rock" with contests, skits and music by Music Machine. Prizes will be given away throughout the afternoon. Visit the IMMC Christmas party web site at <http://immc.redstone.army.mil/christmas/>

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for a complete menu, ticket points of contact and information. You can also call Jan Pickard 876-2569.

Military appreciation days

Dillard's stores will hold Military Appreciation Days on Dec. 3-4. The company is extending a 20 percent discount to military personnel on purchases made at Dillard's those two days. Appliances and furniture may be purchased with a 10 percent discount. This discount is extended to active military, full-time active guardsmen, activated guardsmen and activated reservists and their immediate families.

Newcomers' orientation

Learn about Redstone Arsenal by attending the Army Community Service Newcomers' Orientation, Dec. 2 from 8:30 a.m. until noon at building 3338 on Redeye Road. The orientation features speakers, information booths, and a tour of Redstone Arsenal. Attendees will receive Morale, Welfare and Recreation bucks redeemable at MWR activities. Attendance is mandatory for active duty personnel permanently assigned to Redstone in accordance with AMCOM Regulation 1-36, Policy Number 608-5. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Free child care is available through the Child Development Center. Shot records are required for children using the child care services. For more information call Mary Breeden, relocation assistance program manager, 876-5397.

Thanksgiving meal

The Redstone dining facility will be open to all active duty and retired military, their immediate family members and one guest. The Thanksgiving meal is served from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday with single servicemembers dining 11-12:30, servicemembers with family 12:30-1:30 and retirees 1:30-2:30. Reservations are not permitted. The cost of the meal is \$5.25, and \$4.55 for dependents of soldiers E-4 and below. All servicemembers must have their military identification card. Only cash will be accepted for the meal. For information call 876-6743 or 876-3067.

Business scholarships

The Redstone Arsenal Chapter, International Association of Administrative Professionals will present two \$1,000 annual scholarship awards to a local high school and college student majoring in a business field. Merit awards may apply toward tuition, books and fees for undergraduate or graduate level studies. Deadline for applications is March 31. For more information, call Jackie Kenner 876-8131.

PX news

Post Exchange facilities will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Thursday with the exception of the One Stop, building 3234, which will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Friday and Saturday, the Main PX will be open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. for your shopping convenience. All other facilities will operate with regular hours.

Student apprentices

The Department of Defense initiated the Science and Engineering Apprentice Program in 1980, under the direction of the Executive Office of the President, to involve academically talented high school and college students in hands-on research activities and student-mentor relationships during the summer. This program is designed for students who have demonstrated aptitude and interest in science and engineering courses and careers. A major benefit of the program is pairing the students with university and professional engineering mentors. The high school and college programs are designed for students who are United States citizens and 15 years old by the beginning of the program June 7, 2004. The apprentice program is divided into periods of 8, 10 and 12 weeks. The points of contact for applications are senior counselors, at all public, private and parochial high school and college placement services. Possible career placement areas at the Aviation and Missile Command include physics, chemistry, computer science, engineering and mathematics. The deadline for postmarking applications is Jan. 31. If the student is unsuccessful in receiving an application from the high school senior counselor or college placement service, call Julie Lumpkins of the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center 313-4834.

Registration and badging

Recent guidance from Department of Army grants garrison commanders the option of issuing installation tabs. Therefore, the Vehicle Registration and Badging Office will no longer be issuing the Redstone Arsenal installation tabs (red, blue, green, black strips) for windshields after the current stock is exhausted. The green tab signified civilian employee, for example. For more information, call Bobby Blackwell 876-2090.

Bethlehem walk

Members of the community are invited to Bethlehem Walk 2003 presented by Mable Hill Baptist Church on Dec 4-6 and Dec.11-13 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. "You will experience the Village of Bethlehem as it was on the night of Christ's birth," a prepared release said. This outdoor interactive drama is located on 3778 Ready Section Road, east of Highway 53 (six miles south of Ardmore). Tours will leave every 20 minutes. Nearly 100 of the church's members will participate in costume. For more information, call Pat Storer (256) 420-8051.

Health center hours

Fox Army Health Center announces holiday hours for Thanksgiving. The health center will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. On Friday and Saturday, the Primary

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Care Extended Hours Clinic will be open from 8 a.m. to noon for scheduled appointments. All other clinics and the pharmacy will be closed. The health center is closed on Sundays. Advice nurses are available 24 hours a day at 955-8888 or 1-800-223-9531 to provide care advice and schedule urgent care appointments. Access to the building may be gained through the Pharmacy entrance on the south side.

Arts and crafts

The June M. Hughes Arts & Crafts Center, building 3615 on Gray Road, has new classes for you to enjoy. The classes are open to the entire Redstone community, including contractors. For a full listing of classes and times, call 876-7951 or go to www.redstonemwr.com.

Turkey shoot

Outdoor Recreation will have a turkey shoot Dec. 13 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Outdoor Recreation, building 5132 on Sportsman Drive. "Come on out during your lunch break for your chance to win a Christmas turkey or ham," a prepared release said. Cost is \$3 per shot; and the winner is determined by best-placed shot on a paper target. Shotguns and shells for competition will be on hand from Outdoor Recreation. Shooters must be at least 12 old; and a parent must accompany all minors. For more information, call 876-4868.

Fruit for sale

Christmas is fast approaching and the Alabama Titans youth AAU basketball team can supply your needs for the holiday season. Preorder navel, grapefruit, tangelo, juicy oranges, tangerines or a combination of navel and grapefruit from the Alabama Titans Athletic Association today. For more information, call 859-5163.

Motorcycle safety course

Motorcycle training is available Dec. 10 at the Rocket Harley-Davidson Dealership, I-565 and Greenbrier Road. Soldiers, DoD civilians and military retirees are funded by the government; and contractors pay \$75 per person. To participate you must have a Department of Transportation approved helmet, eye protection, long sleeve shirt or jacket, boots or shoes that cover the ankles, full-fingered gloves, and long pants. The course will start promptly at 8 a.m. and should last 5-6 hours. The instructor is Ralph Harris who can be reached at 772-4034, ext. 424. If you plan to attend, send an e-mail to rharris@rocketharley-davidson.com.

Cookbook fund-raiser

The Redstone/Huntsville Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers, as part of its community projects program, is selling copies of its cookbook "Cooking with Comptrollers." Price is \$10 and proceeds go toward local charity in a joint effort with the Huntsville Flight. These books have more than 200 recipes and helpful cooking tips. For information call Becky Lake, building 5308, 955-0053; Kathy Buford, building 5308, 842-6289; Kim Jean, building 5300, 876-7208; or Lisa Lowry, building 5300, 876-1423.

Aeronautical university

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Huntsville Center will begin its spring term Jan. 5. Classes offered include Operations Research, Logistics Management for Aviation/Aerospace, and Social Responsibility & Ethics in Management. The Embry-Riddle Huntsville Center offers fully accredited instruction at both graduate and undergraduate levels in Aviation/Aerospace and Technical Management fields. Deadline to register is Dec. 19. Call 876-9763 or visit ERAU Huntsville in the Army Education Center, building 3222. The university has recently announced the addition of a new degree program to its line of graduate studies, the Master of Science in Management.

National award

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has received a national award for information technology from the Sara Fine Institute for Interpersonal Behavior and Technology at the University of Pittsburgh. The Award for Information Technology Success and Best Practices in Higher Education for 2003 was granted to Embry-Riddle for its implementation of three successful information technology projects that deliver web-based services and academic courses to students, faculty and staff at all of its locations.

ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS		CLOSING	ORGANIZATION	PAY PLAN	GRADE	POT	PAY RANGE	WHO CAN APPLY?															
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SCBK03494900	Human Resources Officer	27-Nov-03	CPAC	GS-0201	15	15	93,705 - 121,817	X														
SCBK03522980	Budget Technician	28-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0561	7	7	31,958 - 41,547	X	X													
SCBK03482404	General Engineer	28-Nov-03	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	79,663 - 103,564	X														
SCBK032023980C	Engineering Technician	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0802	12	12	56,690 - 73,697	X														
SCBK032708300C	Contract Specialist	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-1102	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK032023700C	Electrical Engineer	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X														
SCBK031978630C	Safety and Occupational Health Spec	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0018	11	11	47,299 - 61,494	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK032575130C	Civil Engr, Arch, Mech Engr, Elec Engr, Envi Engr	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0810,0808,0830,0850,0819	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK032542780C	Civil Engr, Arch, Mech Engr, Elec Engr, Envi Engr	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0810,0808,0830,0850,0819	12	12	53,225 - 72,112	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03584110C	Contract Specialist	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-1102	12	12	56,690 - 73,697	X														
SCBK032595310C	Project Mgmt Spec	30-Nov-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0301	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03484991	Supply Systems Analyst	1-Dec-03	IMMC	GS-2003	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X													
SCBK03505290	Supv Aerospace Engineer	1-Dec-03	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03506126	Lead Aerospace Engineer	1-Dec-03	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03449528	Supv Log Mgmt Spec	1-Dec-03	IMMC	NH-0301	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X													
SCBK03498462	Financial Systems Spec	2-Dec-03	RMD	GS-0501	7-9	11	31,958 - 61,494	X	X				X									
SCBK03523253	Meteorological Technician	2-Dec-03	RTTC	GS-1341	11	11	47,299 - 61,494						X									
SCBK03472539	Physical Security Spec	2-Dec-03	SMDC	GS-0080	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X														
SCBK03469325	Program Analyst	2-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0343	12	12	56,690 - 73,697	X	X													
SCBK03475772	Security Specialist	2-Dec-03	ISD	GG-0080	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03404354	Supv ADP Acq Specialist	2-Dec-03	GARRISON	GS-0301	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X														
SCBK03506176	Lead Aerospace Engineer	8-Dec-03	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X						X		X	X	X	X			
SCBK03521833	Administrative Officer	9-Dec-03	CHRA	GS-0341	12	12	56,690 - 73,697	X	X													
SCBK03497334	Supv General Engineer	9-Dec-03	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	79,663 - 103,564	X														
SCBK03482402	General Engineer	9-Dec-03	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	79,663 - 103,564	X						X								
SCBK03482402	Ops Research Analyst	9-Dec-03	SMDC	GS-1515	14	14	79,663 - 103,564	X						X								
SCBK03270701	Supv Procurement Analyst	10-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-1102	14	14	79,663 - 103,564							X		X				X		
SCBK03490070	Lead Aerospace Engineer	10-Dec-03	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03466332	Ops Research Analyst	15-Dec-03	CAD	GS-1515	14	14	79,663 - 103,564	X														
SCBK03501085	Supv Contract Spec	15-Dec-03	ACQ	NH-1102	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X				X			X	X					
SCBK032708300C	Contract Specialist	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-1102	13	13	66,543 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK032594120C	Land Arch, Arch, Civil Engr, Envi Engr, Mech Engr, Elec Engr, Chem Engr,	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0807-0808-0810-0819-0830-0850-0893	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK032023700C	Electrical Engineer	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X														
SCBK032023980C	Engineering Technician	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0802	12	12	56,690 - 73,697	X														
SCBK032575130C	Civil Engr, Arch, Mech Engr, Elec Engr, Envi Engr	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0810,0808,0830,0850,0819	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X								X	X	X	X		
SCBK032542780C	Civil Engr, Arch, Mech Engr, Elec Engr, Envi Engr	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0810,0808,0830,0850,0819	12	12	53,225 - 72,112	X									X		X	X		
SCBK031978630C	Safety and Occupational Health Spec	31-Dec-03	CofE Huntsville	GS-0018	11	11	47,266 - 61,494	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
MD-03-2653	Medical Technologist (VOS)	31-Dec-03	MEDCOM	GS-0644	7-9-10	11-12	31,546 - 72,744	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
MD-03-2673	Social Worker	31-Dec-03	MEDCOM	GS-0185	9-11	12	38,588 - 72,747	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
MD-03-2682	Counseling Psychologist	31-Dec-03	MEDCOM	GS-0180	9-11	12	38,588 - 72,747	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
SCBK03127239	Architect	2-Jan-04	CofE Huntsville	GS-0808	11	12	47,240 - 70,841	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
SCBK03506488	Lead Aerospace Engineer	15-Dec-04	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

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X-DB-04-5752-PO	Electrical Engineer	28-Nov-03	CofE	GS-0850	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5699-FL	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	28-Nov-03	Office Sec of Army	NH-0346	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5697-FL	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	28-Nov-03	Office Sec of Army	NH-0346	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5734-FL	Program Mgmt Officer	1-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	GS-0340	15	15	93,705 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-LW-04-5775-RD	Electronics Engineer	3-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	DB-0855	3	3	56,690 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-LW-04-5776-RD	Aerospace Engineer	5-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5772-FL	Electrical Engineer	5-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	GS-0850	11	11	50,141 - 63,038	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-LW-04-5729-RD	Lead Aerospace Engineer	5-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-AO-03-5364-PO	Electrical Engineer	8-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	GS-0850	13	13	67,413 - 87,640	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-LW-04-5742-RD	Lead Aerospace Engineer	10-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	DB-861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5747-FL	Supv Contract Specialist	16-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	NH-1102	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-SP-04-5758-FL	Sys Support Specialist	16-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	GS-0301	15	15	93,705 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
X-LW-04-5777RD	Lead Aerospace Engineer	19-Dec-03	Office Sec of Army	DB-0861	4	4	79,663 - 121,817	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

WHO CAN APPLY CODE DEFINITIONS (Note: Only U.S. citizens are eligible to apply for Army positions)

A - Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees serviced by Redstone CPAC.
B - All Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees (SF-50 documentation service required).
C - Compensably Disabled Veterans receiving 30% or more compensation from a military service or the VA (SF-15 and other documentation required).
D - All Department of Defense competitive service employees and certain DOD excepted service employees (SF-50 documentation service required)
E - Executive Order 12721 eligibles. (Former overseas family member employees who meet eligibility requirements)
F - All Federal Employees
H - Severely handicapped persons (Documentation from State Vocational Rehabilitation Service required)
I - Interagency Career Transition Assist Plan (ICTAP). (Non-DOD Federal employees who have been displaced by RIF.)
R - Reinstatement eligibles (former competitive service Federal employees who meet eligibility requirement.)
T - Transfer eligibles (non-Army Federal competitive service employees) (SF-50 documentation service required)
V - Certain veterans and prior military members who meet the eligibility criteria under VRA or VEOA programs (DD-214s or proof of service required).
U - All U.S. citizens
NOTE: If you are interested, carefully read the announcement for the official area of consideration, qualification requirements, and application procedures.
NOTE: The Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Personnel Office accepts applications for various types of positions, i.e., Cashier, Food Service, Custodial, Bartender. A complete listing of all available positions can be viewed on the web at www.redstonemwr.com , or you may telephone 876-7772.